

# Superior Court of the State of California County of Kings

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Emancipation
Packet Purchase Price: \$ 5.00

Emancipation is a legal procedure that frees children from the custody and control of their parents or guardians before they reach the age of majority. (In California this is age 18.) See page 2 of MC301for detailed information.

Form number:	Name of form:	Form last revised on:	Number of pages:	
Information sheets:				
Please read the enclosed information pamphlet carefully, as it contains vital information for the proper completion of the forms.				
MC301	Emancipation Pamphlet	01-01-95	4	
Forms to open a case and retrieve a hearing date:				
MC300	Petition for Declaration of Emancipation of Minor, Order Prescribing Notice, Declaration of Emancipation, and Order Denying Petition	01-01-07	2	
MC306	Emancipation of Minor Income and Expense Declaration	01-01-95	2	
MC310	Declaration of Emancipation of Minor after Hearing	07-01-94	1	
MC305	Notice of Hearing—Emancipation of Minor	07-01-94	2	

Filing fees:	
Petition for Declaration\$	320.00
Notice of Hearing\$	40.00

# Assistance may be obtained from:

- Self-Help Center located online at <a href="www.courtinfo.ca.gov">www.courtinfo.ca.gov</a>. Judicial Counsel forms of California can be accessed, filled in, and printed at this website.
- A typing or paralegal service. A list of these services can be obtained from this office.
- Questions pertaining to legal matters or the proper completion of the appropriate forms should be answered by an attorney.

## Please be aware of the following information:

- The Court will require the same adherence to all of the laws of the State and California Rules of Court, as if you were represented by an attorney.
- Clerk personnel are <u>NOT PERMITTED</u> to, <u>NOR WILL THEY</u> give legal advice or help in completing any form. *Please do not ask our clerks to give you legal assistance or advice.* The Clerk of the Court and his deputies are prohibited by law from rendering legal assistance or advice in court proceedings (Sec. 24004 & 68082 Gov. code). Persons appearing in their own behalf are responsible for preparing and presenting their pleadings in complete and proper form without legal assistance from deputies of the Superior Court Clerk's office. Questions pertaining to legal matters or the proper completion of the appropriate forms should be answered by an attorney
- At the hearing you will be expected to present, in a succinct and concise manner, all relevant oral evidence. If the evidence is not proper, or the pleadings are not in order, you will be informed of this fact and it will be necessary for you to set another hearing date after you have corrected any matters not in order.

## Preparing documents for filing:

- ❖ All pleadings and papers must be typed or legibly handwritten in blue or black ink.
- ❖ The law requires your name (petitioner), address, and telephone number be typed or legibly handwritten in blue or black ink in the upper left hand corner of all documents presented for filing.
- ❖ Each <u>original</u> form submitted for filing must be two-hole punched at the top.
- Personnel in the Clerk's office have been instructed not to file any papers which are not properly completed or assembled.

### How many copies do I make?

Make one copy for each party to be served in this case <u>and</u> an extra copy for yourself.

#### How do I make copies?

Each two sided copy must be tumbled (180°) (as presented in the packet)

Each **set** of forms must be *stapled* (*example*: a multiple page form is to be stapled, with any specified attachments, as a set).